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SUBJECT: SECRETARIAT POSTS AT DIRECTOR LEVEL AND ABOVE

REFS: (A) PARIS 13617; (B) PARIS 13911; (C) PARIS 13912;

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1. SUPPLEMENTARY INFO ON ACTION OF UNESCO DG ON VACANT
UNESCO ADG POSTS FOLLOWS.

2. PER REFTEL (I), PARAS 1-2, DG RECOMMENDED EXTENSION

DDG FOBES' (US) CONTRACT THROUGH MARCH 1978. ALL INDICATIONS SHOW FOBES REMAINING. PERMDEL AGREES WITH DEPT THAT IT BOTH UNLIKELY AND UNWISE TO SEEK ADDITIONAL ADG POST. REFTEL (D) PROVIDED INFO OF DG'S PRIVATE DISCUSSION OF ADG/EDUCATION CANDIDATES. AMONG THOSE PROPOSED, TANGYAN (USSR) STILL SEEMS BEST QUALIFIED. HOWEVER, VQK HAS RECOMMENDED EXTENSION OF CONTRACT OF FERNIG, ACTING ADG/EDUCATION, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1976. ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, DG MAY POSTPONE APPOINTMENT NEW ADG/EDUCATION FOR THREE TO FOUR MONTHS. THUS, FERNIG
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MAY CONTINUE TO SERVE THAT PERIOD OF TIME. SHOULD FER-

NIG BE CONTINUED IN HIS POST, IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS FOR US TO MAKE IMMEDIATE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DESIRED POST IN EDUCATION SECTOR. PERMDEL UNDERSTANDS THAT WHEN FERNIG RETURNS JUNE 18, DG TO ASK HIM TO MAKE PROPOSALS FOR PERSONNEL CHANGES IN EDUCATION SECTOR.

3. DG RECOMMENDED CONTINUATION HARRISON (CANADA) THROUGH MARCH 31, 1976 AS ADG/SCIENCE. AS REPORTED REFTEL (D), DDG POSTPONED SELECTION OF CANDIDATE AND REOPENED RECRUITMENT SINCE ONLY SMALL NUMBER OF PERSONS YRECOMMENDED. FROM OUR INFORMATION, TWO CANDIDATES WERE ROCHE (VENEZUELA) AND KADDOURA (SYRIA). KADDOURA WAS ALSO PROPOSED BY SYRIA FOR ADG/EDUCATION POST.

4. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THREE MEMBER STATES WERE PROPOSED FOR ADG/SHC POST: FRANCE - M. BLAMONT (PROFESSOR) AND M. RIGAUD (EX-STATE COUNCIL MEMBER); MEXICO - CUEVAS-CANCINO.. -

5. TWO KNOWN CANDIDATES FOR ADG/ADMINISTRATION ARE RAU (FRG) AND RAO (INDIA). RAO PRESENTLY WITH BUREAU OF BUDGET, WITH UNESCO FOR ABOUT 26 YEARS. HE STRONG CANDIDATE AND HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE WITH US PERMDEL.

6. NEW SECTOR CREATED - COOPERATIVE SERVICES (COOPREX) - TO BE DISCUSSED IN SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT. HOWEVER, IT ESTABLISHES AN OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR THE EXTRA-BUDGETARY AND, MAINLY, FIELD PROGRAM FOR UNESCO. IN RECENT RELEASE, DG APPOINTED NAJMAN (YUGOSLAVIA) AS ADG THIS SECTOR.

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7. RE PARA 4, REFTTEL (I), DG EXPRESSED HIS CONCERN ABOUT GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF CANDIDATES FOR ADG POSTS. WE, THEREFORE, MIGHT EXPECT A VARIATION OF NATIONALITIES AS FINAL CANDIDATES FOR EACH OF THESE POSTS. RE PARA 5, REFTTEL (I), DG RE-OPENED RECRUITMENT FOR ADG POSTS OTHER THAN EDUCATION, BUT CVS OF THOSE CANDIDATES UNDER SERIOUS CONSIDERATION NOT YET AVAILABLE.

(A) IN PROPOSED SECRETARIAT RE-ORGANIZATION, UNIT REPORTING DIRECTLY TO DG ESTABLISHED - STUDIES AND PROGRAMMING - AN ENLARGEMENT OF OFFICE OF PRE-PROGRAMMING. FROM LATEST INFO, KNAPP, NOW DIRECTOR OF DEPT OF CURRICULA, STRUCTURES AND METHODS OF EDUCATION, WILL BE MOVED TO THAT SPOT JULY 1.

(B) NEW SECTION OF INSPECTION AND EVALUATION BEING ESTABLISHED. PERMDEL INFORMED THAT SETH SPAULDING, UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THIS UNIT. HOWEVER, SPAULDING ACTIVE CANDIDATE FOR REGIONAL POSTS IN COLOMBIA AND THAILAND, AND HAS ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DIRECTORSHIP OF IBE. PERMDEL WOULD APPRECIATE DISCUSSION HIS CHOICE BY DEPT WITH SPAULDING SO THAT PERMDEL CAN SUPPORT HIM. IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO US TO HAVE AMERICAN IN THIS UNIT.

(C) IN RE-ORGANIZATION, ROLE OF DEPTS WILL BE LOST. SINCE IN EDUCATION, NAJMAN AND KNAPP WERE
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DIRECTORS OF TWO OF DEPTS, ONLY PLATT (USA) STILL IN EDUCATION SECTOR. DELEGATION UNDERSTANDS PLATT WILL SERVE AS ONE OF TWO DEPUTIES TO ADG/EDUCATION UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT LATER THIS YEAR. NEXT SENIOR PERSON IN EDUCATION SECTOR IS HAROLD FOCKE, NOW HEAD OF DIVISION OF PRE-UNIVERSITY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. FOCKE INTERESTED IN DEPUTY ADG SPOT. PERMDEL SUGGESTS CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN DISCUSSIONS WITH DG REQUESTING FOCKE'S REPLACEMENT OF PLATT WHEN PLATT LEAVES.

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